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MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE ROMULS CITY COUNCIL HELD
OCTOBER 1, 2001 IN THE COUNCIL
CHAMBER ROMULUS CITY HALL,
11111 S. WAYNE ROAD, ROMULUS,
MICHIGAN 48714.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by William Wadsworth, Chairman Pro Tem.
Present: LeRoy D. Burcroff, William A. Crova, Donald Morris, Michael Prybyla, Debbie Romak, William Wadsworth
Absent: None
Excused: Randolph Gear
Administrative Officials in Attendance:
Linda R. Choate, Clerk
Pamela Kersey, Treasurer

1. Motion by Romak, supported by Burcroff to accept the agenda as amended.*
Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Morris, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

01-341

2A. Motion by Crova, supported by Prybyla to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council held September 24, 2001.
Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Morris, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

01-342

3A. Motion by Crova, supported by Romak to approve the request from Malik Market L.L.C. to transfer of ownership of 2000 SDM licensed business from Z-Mart, Inc. located at 13034 Huron River Drive.
Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Morris, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

3B. Item deleted at petitioners request.
Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Morris, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

01-343

4A. Motion by Burcroff, supported by Morris to grant a No Fee Permit for building and planning cost for the new addition to the Community United Methodist Church on Olive Street.
Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Morris, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

4. Motion by Romak, supported by Purcroff to accept the Chairperson's Report.
Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Morris, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

01-344

5A. Motion by Morris, supported by Romak to award Bid 01/02-01 to the low bidder FJF Door Sales in the amount of \$7,284.00 for the removal and replacement of the four (4) fire doors at Fire Station #4.
Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Morris, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

01-345

5B. Motion by Crova, supported by Burcroff to award Bid 01/02-19 to the only bidder, Research Technology International Inc. in the amount of \$3,950.00 for the purchase of the Tapechek Video Pro VHS tape rewinder.
Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Morris, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

01-346

5C. Motion by Burcroff, supported by Romak to award Bid 01/02-21 to the low bidder Burke Equipment Co. in the amount of \$23,850.00 for the purchase of one (1) Trailer Mounted Yard Waste Collector (Leaf Loader).
Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Morris, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

01-347

5D. Motion by Prybyla, supported by Crova to authorize the purchase from Alert Glass Co. proposal in the amount of \$2,900.00 to install 1-inch bulletproof protection (Lexon) in the lobby screening reception area at the Police Department.
Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Morris, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

01-348

6A1. Motion by Crova, supported by Burcroff to approve the second reading and final adoption of Chapter 20, Section 20-232(a) introduced at the meeting of October 1, 2001.
Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Morris, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

01-349

6A2. Motion by Crova, supported by Burcroff to approve the second reading and final adoption of Chapter 37, Sections 37-24(b)(1) and 37-25(d)(1)(a) introduced at the meeting of October 1, 2001.
Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Morris, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion carried unanimously.

01-350

6A3. Motion by Prybyla, supported by Romak to schedule a Public Hearing to be held on Monday, November 26, 2001 at 7:00 p.m. Prevailing Eastern Time in the Romulus City Hall Council Chambers, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, Michigan 48174 for the purpose of hearing comments on the proposed vacation of the alley abutting lot 62 and lots 1 through 13 inclusive, Ecorse Community Subdivision.
Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Morris, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

11. Motion by Romak, supported by Crova to adjourn the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council.
Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Morris, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Choate, CMC, Clerk
City of Romulus, Michigan

I, Linda R. Choate, Clerk for the City of Romulus, Michigan do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of the minutes of the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council held October 1, 2001.

Linda R. Choate, CMC, Clerk
City of Romulus, Michigan

Publish: October 18, 2001

NEWS FROM THE CITY OF WAYNE

Fire fighters offer smoke detector batteries

Wayne fire fighters have an early Christmas gift for residents - a smoke detector battery.

Fire officials this week announced that they are planning to conduct its inaugural Smoke Detector Battery Giveaway which will be offered at noon to 5 p.m. on

Oct. 27 at the fire department's facility. And in connection with the program they are offering free smoke detector batteries.

The program is a part of the department's Fire Prevention Campaign: Change your Clock - Change your Battery."

All individuals who plan to take advantage of the program and pick up a battery must show proof that they are a Wayne resident.

Residents should be aware that there is parking next to the station.

City officials also say that they would like to thank Northside Hardware, who donated the batteries to "make this life-saving program possible."

For more information, please contact the Wayne Fire Department by dialing 722-1111.

Movie tickets for 10 cents

Where can you go to enjoy a movie and popcorn for less than a quarter?

The State Wayne Theater, that's where.

The theater, located at 35310

Michigan Avenue, will celebrate its 10th anniversary on Nov. 1. To celebrate the milestone, the city-operated theater plans some very special events, including a 10 cents charge for movie admission.

CITY OF ROMULUS
ORDINANCE NO. 01-348

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 37, SECTIONS 37 24(b)(1) and 37-25(d)(1)(a) PERTAINING TO SEWER AND WATER DEBT CHARGES.

The City of Romulus, Wayne County, Michigan, hereby ordains:

Section 1. Chapter 37, Section 37-24(b)(1) of the Romulus City Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

37-24(b)(1) For each single-family residence constructed upon land then owned by the proposed occupant, a sum as may be determined from time to time by resolution of council, shall be payable at the option of the customer in one (1) lump sum at the time of application or divided into equal payments spread out over a twenty-five (25) year period. Upon the transfer in ownership, the Seller shall pay the balance of the debt service charge in full at or before the time of closing and the entire debt service of every residence constructed under this section will become a lien upon the land. For any nonresident of the city connecting, the charge shall be payable at the time of application. For each single-family residence constructed as part of a subdivision or development for the purpose of resale, the charge shall be payable at the time of application.

Section 2. Chapter 37, Section 37-25(d)(1)(a) of the Romulus City Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

37-25(d)(1)(a) For each single-family residence making a three quarter-inch water connection the sewer debt charge shall be determined by resolution of council from time to time and payable at the option of the owner in one (1) lump sum at the time of application or divided into equal payments spread out over a thirty (30) year period. Upon the transfer in ownership, the Seller shall pay the balance of the debt service charge in full at or before the time of closing and the entire debt service charge of every residence constructed under this section will become a lien upon the land. For any nonresident of the city connecting the charge shall be payable at the time of application. For each singlefamily residence constructed as part of a subdivision or development for the purpose of resale, the charge shall be payable at the time of application.

Section 3. Saving Clause. Nothing in this Ordinance or in the Code hereby adopted shall be construed to affect any suit or proceeding pending in any court or administrative body, or any rights acquired, or liability incurred, or any cause or causes of action acquired or existing, under any Act or Ordinance hereby repealed by this Ordinance; nor shall any just or legal right or remedy of any character be lost, impaired or affected by this Ordinance.

Section 4. Severability. Should any word, sentence, phrase or any portion of this Ordinance be held in a manner invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction or by any state agency having authority to do so for any reason whatsoever, such holdings shall be construed and limited to such word, sentence, phrase or any portion of the Ordinance held to be so invalid and shall not be construed as affecting the validity of any of the remaining words, sentences, phrases or portions of this Ordinance.

Section 5. Conflicting Ordinances. All prior existing ordinances adopted by the City of Romulus inconsistent or in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are, to the extent of such conflict or inconsistency, hereby expressly repealed.

Section 6. Readings. This Ordinance shall be given a first reading on September 24, 2001, shall be enacted on October 1, 2001 and

shall be published on or before October 18, 2001 and shall be effective October 18, 2001.

ADOPTED, APPROVED AND PASSED by the City Council of the City of Romulus on this 1st day of October, 2001.

William Oakley, Mayor

Linda Choate, City Clerk

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the Ordinance as passed by the City Council of the City of Romulus at a regular Council Meeting held in the City Council Room in said City on the 1st day of October, 2001.

Linda Choate, City Clerk

I further certify that the foregoing was published in the Romulus Roman, a newspaper of general circulation in the City of Romulus, on the 18th day of October, 2001.

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Within forty-five (45) days after publication of any ordinance duly passed by the Council, a petition may be presented to the Council protesting against such ordinance continuing in effect. Said petition shall contain the text of such ordinance and shall be signed by not less than six percent (6%) of the registered electors registered at the last preceding election at which a Mayor of the City was elected. Said ordinance shall thereupon and thereby be suspended from operation and the Council shall immediately reconsider such ordinance.

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CITY OF ROMULUS
ORDINANCE NO. 01-349

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 20, ARTICLE VII, DIVISION 2, SECTION 20-232(a), OF THE ROMULUS CITY CODE TO DELETE FROM THE PROVISION THOSE WHO ARE EXEMPT FROM LICENSURE FOR CARRYING A CONCEALED PISTOL.

THE CITY OF ROMULUS, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN ORDAINS:

Section 1. Chapter 20, Article VII, Division 2, entitled "Weapons" Romulus City Code, Section 20-232(a) is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 20-232. PROHIBITION OF CARRYING A CONCEALED WEAPON IN CERTAIN PLACES.

- a. An individual who is licensed to carry a concealed pistol shall not carry a concealed pistol on the premises of any of the following:
 - i. A school or school property, except that a parent or legal guardian of a student of the school is not precluded from carrying a concealed pistol while in a vehicle on school property if he or she is dropping the student off at the school or picking up the child from the school.
 - ii. A public or private day care center, public or private caring agency, or a public or private child placing agency.
 - iii. A sports arena or stadium, including the City's recreation center.
 - iv. A dining room, lounge, or bar area of a premises licensed under the Michigan Liquor Control Code. This subsection shall not apply to an owner or employee of the premises.
 - v. Any property or facility owned or operated by a church, synagogue, mosque, temple, or other place of worship, unless the presiding official or officials of the church, synagogue, mosque, temple, or other place of worship generally permit the carrying of concealed pistols on that property or facility.
 - vi. An entertainment facility that the individual knows or should know has a seating capacity of 2,500 or more individuals or that has a sign above each public entrance stating in letters not less than 1-inch high, a seating capacity of 2,500 or more individuals.
 - vii. A hospital.
 - viii. A dormitory or classroom of a community college, college, or university.

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NEWS FROM THE CITY OF INKSTER

Council approves property-sale moratorium

By TOM MOORADIAN
MCN Staff Writer

With little debate, the Inkster City Council Monday night approved a resolution that places a moratorium on the sale of city-owned property.

The council voted 6-0 to approve the resolution, with Mayor Hilliard Hampton, Jr., absent from the council proceedings. Mayor Pro Tem Wanda Harris Foster, who chaired the meeting, said that the mayor was attending a Detroit Water & Sewerage Board meeting and would not be able to

make it to the council meeting.

The council resolution approved by council would take effect immediately. It requests that the city's Property Committee compile information on how to market city-owned lots to reap greater benefits for the city, and to revise the bid purchase form.

Councilman Ernest Hendricks said that, although there was no debate before the council vote, there has been ample discussion on the issue during the council's study sessions.

Hendricks, and other council members, are concerned that the

city is offering city lots at incredibly low prices, opening the door for those who are presently renting to purchase the land and move trailers on to them.

Though there are restrictions and ordinances which prevent the indiscriminate placement of trailer vehicles onto lots, and trailers are usually confined to restricted areas zoned for the purpose, some trailer owners apparently have found a way to get around the law.

"We have been giving away lots dirt cheap," Hendricks stressed. "We need to stop the practice."

During a period in the city's re-

cent history, when Lillian Randolph served as Community Development Director, the city offered lots free to anyone who would build a home in the city. With land becoming scarce, the local legislators have decided to up the prices of city-owned properties that are now available.

Hendricks also noted that developers finally have recognized that the city has a lot of potential. Three major projects - the Greenhouse, the Carver Homes, and Middlebelt Road are being eyed by developers to build town houses and a subdivision.



Pictured are Dr. John Cunningham, Jessie Moner and Roy Wilson.

Holy Family receives a gift

By THEOLA JONES
MCN Special Writer

The Holy Family Church in Inkster dedicated its long-awaited, recently-installed chair-lift during a special service.

Father John Lehner, pastor, offered a Dedication Prayer, to open the way for the first ride on the chair-lift.

Mr. and Mrs. Jaque Farmer were the first riders, followed by the youngest rider Joseph Mulligan, who is 3-years-old.

The membership is grateful for the financial support given

by Sacred Heart Catholic Church of Dearborn and also the Men's Fellowship and the Inkster Catholic Community. Jesse Moner, chairperson of the Chair-Lift Committee, would like to thank the many people who made financial contributions to help meet the goal.

A special thanks to the General Director's Circle.

A reception in the Fusan Social Hall followed the Dedication. The following directors contributed more than \$100: Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Chastang; Mr. and Mrs. Jaque Farmer; Mr.

and Mrs. Leslie Harris; Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wilson, Sr.; Dr. John Cunningham; Jesse Moner; the Rev. Father John Lehner; Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Wilson; Holy Family Men's Club; Sacred Shannon, Miyuki Armstrong, Vangie Armstrong, George Dapremont, Teresa Coleman, Doris Davis, Smith Chapel Church Choir, Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Hines, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn O'Kray, Cathleen Lees, JoAnna Hardison, Rutha Burney, Mr. and Mrs. John Santeiu, Jr., Dr. and Mrs. Terrell LeCesne, and Dorothy Drews.

Westwood receives NCA award

The Michigan North Central Association of Colleges and Schools recently announced that Robichaud High School in the Westwood Community School District has fulfilled its requirements to receive the organization's "Outcomes Endorsement."

The school district and high school were informed about the honor in a letter to Leit Jones, Robichaud High School principal, from Deborah Clancy, Associate State Director.

"On behalf of all schools affiliated with the North Central Association, we extend congratulations to Robichaud High School," Clancy stated.

Clancy also noted that "receiving the 'Outcomes Endorsement' marks a period of significant achievement. It is the dedicated work of everyone in the school community that contributes to the successful conclusion of an Outcomes cycle."

The letter also pointed out that "less than one-third of the schools accredited in Michigan have reached this significant standing."

The high school and the school district were to receive a certificate to recognize the school's Outcomes Endorsement status.

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Library to offer 25,000 books for sale to public

By TOM MOORADIAN
MCN Staff Writer

A good book is priceless.

There will be some 25,000 books available to the public next week at the Leanna Hicks Public Library.

Library officials say that they will conduct their annual fundraiser from 1 p.m. until 8 p.m. on Oct. 22 and Oct. 23 at the library, located at 2005 Inkster Road, one block north of Michigan Avenue.

The used book sale is the library's major fund-raiser. Hundreds of citizens from the city and neighboring communities take part in the program.

Those purchasing books for \$3 or more will also be given a gift, library officials say.

The books feature a wide range of topics, from collectible treasures to current releases. There are mystery and romance novels.

For further information, call 313-563-2822.

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Patriotism has many forms in Western Wayne

The attacks of terror that Islamic outlaws have used to attempt to cripple ordinary life as we know it, have only served to spark a renewed interest in patriotism.

Some of the best examples of that patriotism can be found right here in Western Wayne. For instance I am told last Thursday night's community gathering in Romulus drew over seven hundred who listened and sang along with two community choruses, and extensively applauded tremendous patriotic speeches by members of the Romulus Ministerial Association.

There was not a dry eye in the house. One observer who has been attending functions like this for 36-years said it was the most moving gathering he had ever attended.

Then there is the story of Dennis Mitchell. A trucker by trade, this patriotic American from Belleville, on his own time, with his own money, made not one, but three trips to New York City, delivering supplies to those helping at the World Trade Center site.

It all started when he offered to cart a load of gas masks and other supplies for a Toledo firm. Upon arriving in New York City, he ran into a Fox 2 news crew, who promptly put him on camera in which he challenged people back in Detroit to gather supplies for another truckload. We did one better—enough supplies came forward to force Mitchell into loading two

trucks.

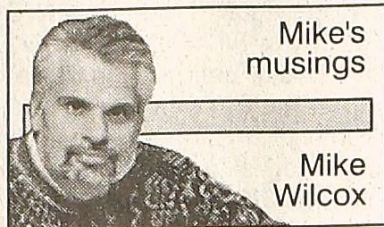
While Mitchell spent dozens of hours traveling the freeways to and from New York City, Michigan Community Newspapers carrier Louis Hershey, 11, and younger siblings Max, Chet and Samantha have been spending a lot of time contacting subscribers on his route. The youngster, who attends St. Raphael Catholic School in Garden City and lives in Wayne, is donating all subscriber monies including tips to the American Red Cross.

Louis, according to his mother, came up with the idea on his own after watching the World Trade Center destruction on television. He composed a letter asking for donations. After all was said and done, he and his siblings collected over \$300.

And then there is the businesses of our communities. When we called around to get support to publish an American flag in the newspaper, with the proceeds going to the Red Cross, everyone without hesitation said "we'll do it." Heck, we could have sold a half dozen flag pages.

As it was we donated several thousand dollars to Red Cross on behalf of the business community.

It all goes to show, the American spirit is alive and well in Western Wayne.



Mike's musings

Mike Wilcox



Booher should go out a heroine

When chipper Chuck Little resigned as Plymouth-Canton superintendent, teachers cheered. At Salem High School, teachers sang "Hallelujah" and "Ding Dong the Witch Is Dead."

Not so when his replacement, Superintendent Kathleen Booher, announced that she is looking for another job.

In a press release, Booher accused unspecified community members of "undermining" her. As a result, she said that her energies have been "diverted from educational leadership to massive rumor control."

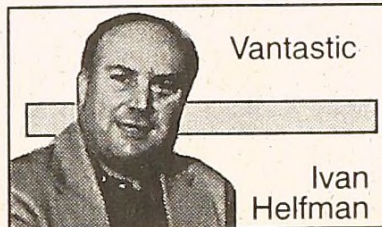
Upon hearing of Booher's intentions and the reasons for them, teachers voiced their support for her. A contingent of them attended Monday night's Plymouth City Commission meeting to do battle with Booher's perceived opponents, city commissioners and Plymouth residents who opposed Booher's suggestion in a "vision paper" to "re-purpose" the historic Central Middle School.

Other teachers plan to display "No Crier" lawn signs to show opposition to the Plymouth Crier, a critic of "re-purposing" Central Middle School.

Booher has been criticized by parents of students in the district's Talented and Gifted program after she suggested moving it from its present location to individual elementary schools.

And she has been criticized by former school board presidents Mark Horvath and Mike Maloney for her accounting and financial planning.

"The constant grinding of Kath-



Vantastic

Ivan Helfman

leen bugs me," said one teacher. "Kathleen brought in good people and had good ideas, but she never got a chance."

While I admire the teachers' loyalty, I believe that it was misplaced. Kathleen Booher's attractions were personal, not professional.

Tall, thin, and smiling, she had the happy look and chatter of a TV weather girl on the first day of spring. But professionally, she was as clueless as a weather girl without a TelePromTer.

How else could she come up with the word "re-purpose" to describe her part in the planned mothballing of Central Middle School's rich traditional school experiences?

Kathleen Booher hatched plans to build an empire in the district. New schools, costly dumbed-down curriculums, extra layers of administrators, and more intrusive social programs were her apparent ambitions.

When word of her plans were leaked, she attacked the fortunate leaks as unfounded rumors. In her world, the love of Central Middle School (and Plymouth High School) alumni for their school days became an attempt to undermine her.

In the real world, there was no

attempt to undermine her, only an attempt by parents and community members to have their opinions heard and considered in district planning.

But listening or responding to community members were apparently not part of Booher's "educational leadership" skills. Consequently, Booher undermined herself.

But that's history. Booher's decision to get out of Dodge presents her with a future opportunity: the chance to leave in style.

Rather than be remembered as the grinch who tried to steel Central Middle School, she could throw away the TelePromTer and "re-purpose" herself to championing a return to the basics.

Instead of reading from the educators' second-rate script, she should start listening to parents, who overwhelmingly want children to be taught basic skills and information.

Homeschool moms and charter schools have demonstrated the benefits of teaching reading by phonics and the detriments of teaching it by the whole language method. Booher could use her last weeks to urge the board to district to drop the disastrous whole language method.

International educators have demonstrated the benefits of drill instruction and the detriments of team "learning." She could prod the board to follow suit.

Though the clock in Plymouth's tower is running out on her Harvey Street gig, it's not too late for Booher to become a heroine instead of a failed empire builder.

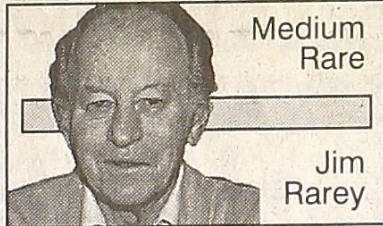
Automatic pay raises — a non-issue?

Accountability of local officials is a hot issue is some of the local elections this year. In Romulus, for instance, whether or not to curtail residents' participation in discussion of agenda individual agenda items has emerged as a campaign issue. In other communities, arguments rage over when, on the agenda, and at what length should residents be allowed to comment on the issues.

Missing from the debate is any discussion of what is probably the most egregious evasion of accountability throughout the state and local governments.

Years ago, state legislators tired of public opposition to them voting themselves significant pay raises and passed a law that enabled them to get the raises without having to vote on them.

The law provided for the establishment of a "Elected Officials Compensation Commission" to recommend pay levels which would automatically go into effect unless both houses of the legislature voted (by a super three-fifths majority) to reject the recommendation. The legislature would not change the recommended compensation, only reject it. If the legislature (or one of the houses)



Medium Rare

Jim Rarey

failed to take action or achieve the required majority, the new pay scale went into effect.

In order to get the support of local governmental bodies for this outrageous end run around the public, the law gave city councils and county commissioners the option of adopting an ordinance to accomplish the same thing at the local level. With a few exceptions, local government jumped on the bandwagon and adopted such ordinances. When adopted, the ordinances overrode city charter provisions because of the state law.

But it gets worse. Since the law (and ordinances) applied only to elected officials, appointed officials felt left out and started lobbying for similar treatment. Elected officials still had to approve their raises (and take the heat for excesses). Not a problem. At the state level and in some communities and counties, procedures were set up where appointed offi-

cials would get an increase based on the percentage of increase the elected officials received without any vote.

So what we have across the state is commissions being appointed by the politicians and determining the pay levels, not just of the politicians that appointed them, but of highest paid individuals of governmental bureaucracy. And the politicians don't have to vote on them.

The solution is simple, but not easy. At the local level, all it would take would be repeal of the ordinances that set up the unacceptable commissions. Then politicians would have to vote on their own raises as well as those of the bureaucrats according to the provisions of their city and county charters.

The odd year elections in November will be for local officials. Each candidate (whether incumbent or challenger) should be asked to take a pledge to repeal such ordinances where they exist. Failure to take the pledge would expose those who do not believe in accountability to the voters.

The same should apply to candidates for state offices in next year's elections.

SOUND OFF EXTRA

Tired of listening to the same two women over and over

God save us from the self-styled ego maniacs who have taken over the council meetings. I believe they think we do not have a mind of our own.

Council members, please speak up. We are tired of listening to the same two women over and over and over and over.

During the past year and a half many of us tuned in to see some take on Cox and Griffin, but most of those people are gone, or at least not monopolizing the council cameras. There were a few I loved to watch, but these two ladies — man, give us a big break, PLEASE. McKinney and Davis get a clue, there aren't too many people who want to listen to you all night long.

I read some of the letters about a division in the recall, and all I can say is no wonder. Give it up already. I think our council members are smart enough to run this city without Tweedle Dumb and Tweedle Dumber.

Richard LeBlanc is the most assured mayoral candidate

If I could make a comment without being too critical. Paying attention to the local candidates running for mayor of Westland, I feel that Mr. LeBlanc has done a very good job of presenting his opinions.

As a strong councilman, he is obviously knowledgeable of our city and has explained clearly what needs to be done to make improvements and how he plans to do so.

In fact, since we have what I call a "phantom" Mayor, when I hear LeBlanc speak, he already sounds like our mayor. I take comfort in that. The other two candidates (including Mr. Price who was eliminated), just sounded less certain of themselves.

Caller turns on Brazier after she turned on candidates

Normie Brazier burned every single piece of wood on the bridge. The UAW will never vote for her again after what she did [endorsed Sandra Cicirelli for mayor].

What a turncoat politician wannabe. You really showed what a back stabber you are Normie. Shame, shame, shame on you.

By the way, I was one of the few that did vote for you because of

the UAW. Never again.

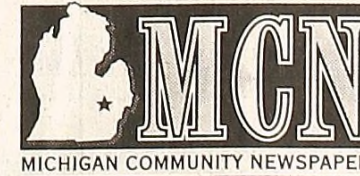
Disappointed that flier seems to exploit national tragedy

Our house received an insulting piece of political trash today and I'm very upset. It has a picture of policemen, firemen (holding an ax) and Chief Price telling us to vote for Cicirelli for mayor.

The most insulting thing is the abuse of the flag of our great United States with everyone trying to "wrap themselves in it"

You all are trying to capitalize on the unfortunate terrorism our country has experienced. Shame on all of you.

I think the new ethics law should keep all employees out of their uniform for politics. She will never get my vote.



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LETTERS FROM OUR READERS

McKinney responds to Bill Wild

To the editor:

This is in response to Bill Wild's letter to the editor.

Well, Billy, it seems to me you can't take the pressure of the election, so what will happen if, heaven for bid, you get on the council? Will you lose it if anyone questions you? Think about it.

You grew up in Wayne, hung out in Canton. Your business, that, I think, you are now buying from your dad, even though you try to claim you've owned it since you were 19, is in Wayne. Since I was

born and raised there myself, don't you think that maybe, by chance, I've met a few of the toes you've stepped on? Food for thought.

I really know more than I'm telling, but that's another chapter. You really should be nicer to people if you want to run for office.

And what I meant by "good ol' boy": I guess you really weren't watching the council meetings for the last year or you're trying to play dumb. Aren't you friends with David James, Justine Barnes,

and dear ole Andy? And, as they say, birds of a feather flock together.

As far as you submitting a resume to the mayor, we all know where the resumes of people the mayor didn't favor ended up.

As far as the council approving these appointments, why do you think a lot of people are upset if the mayor appoints the ethics committee? Because it's almost a given that the council approves out of courtesy. It doesn't make it right, even if it's so.

By the way, I have a copy of your primary candidate expense statement and would be glad to share it with anyone who cares to see.

As far as the other candidates, they are not my personal preferences. Then again, I don't think you've been paying attention to what's going on around you. Maybe that's why you've lost such good help.

Judy McKinney
Westland

Would you buy an air conditioner from Joe Eadeh?

To the editor:

I've often watched the performances on channel 12 of Westland's city council. Prior to his trouncing in the primary, Mr. Eadeh asked a question of the Department of Public Service Director: To the effect of: This last summer, 2001, was an unusually hot one. Can't the city of Westland pur-

chase air conditioners for our city's senior citizens? After all they're all sweaty!

While the director stated he would check into it and get back to him (seeming to roll his eyes as he answered). This told all Westland residents, regardless of age, what Mr. Eadeh is capable of saying to grab a few special interest votes.

Unless Councilman Eadeh is an idiot, he should know full well the city has no authority to purchase individual air conditioners for anyone, regardless of age. This is not a function of city government.

Electioneering at its finest — a candidate suggests purchasing items for special interest groups,

things he knows he can't deliver, yet sounding compassionate while doing so, and grabbing a few votes in the process.

I would like to thank the voters of Westland for their wisdom in casting ballots for other council persons. Perhaps we can weed out the bad ones and improve Westland.

Maybe we could one day be known as Livonia of the South or, shooting even higher, East Plymouth? Vote wisely.

Regards,
Mark Bajek
Westland

Time to split Wayne's court

To the editor:

Speeding Up Traffic Court according to What Every Driver Must Know: The longest waiting period in Traffic Court is 77 days maximum.

Wayne needs to divide the 29th District Court into sections to accommodate the volume of violations they receive.

Sincerely,
Pamela Woodbury
Belleville

Wanted: an adult Halloween costume party in Westland

Hi everyone:

Once again the holidays are upon us, and once again Curt and I see no Halloween costume balls listed for adults in the Westland-area. And, I don't mean in a bar.

Comments from the readers?

I hate sitting at home. Trick-or-treaters only take up a short part of the Halloween season. There must be more. By the way, does anyone know why the kids say "Trick or treat?" Treats are not the only choice, you know.

Each year, I place a bet with

Curt as to whether my heart can still take the haunted house places we visit each year. Especially because as you enter, you hear someone scream out, "Fresh meat, Mommy!"

I like to be imaginative and come up with my own traditions. So I make audio tapes with compiled scary stories from those who wish to participate. I also discuss with others how we got our Halloween customs, and hear from each person what they like about Halloween. The movies we like each season. What's going on at 'The Horror

Hall of Fame."

How to do monster makeup. Or the different ways that we carve pumpkins — friendly or ghoulish? I don't wish to vegetate. The holidays are for all to be young at heart!

Also, to locate all the really cool haunted houses, etc., pick up the paper called, "Fear Finder," available at Taco Bell restaurants.

A good "Boo,"
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& Curtis Pigneguy
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Apologies to Mr. Gear

To the editor:

I am deeply sorry for Councilman Gear being named in my letter in the Romulus Roman on Thursday, Nov. 11. It should have been Administrative Assistant Dave Cox named as the person who told me to call the pharmacy to get money for ribbon and then tie ribbons to my heart's content.

When I called the mayor's office to ask the name of the administrative assistant, I was told my the person who answered the phone that the mayor himself was busy so I would be connected to the administrative assistant, and heard his answer to my request, I was taken aback and did not remember his name.

I later had to call back for his name. That is when I was told Mr.

Gear was administrative assistant, when in fact it is Dave Cox. The Romulus News caught the mistake and corrected it, but unfortunately for Mr. Gear, it made it in this paper. Mr. Gear is a fine, upstanding man of great moral character and great pride in his country. Being in the service himself, he would never under any circumstances tell me to do anything that belittling and uncaring for our town's patriotism.

I sincerely apologize for any grief I have caused him through my not knowing for sure, till now, who to call for the proper information in regard to who does what job in the Romulus government.

Julie Drenman-Broilo
Romulus

Comments were inflammatory

To the editor:

I cannot believe you would publish such an inflammatory picture as "Guilty Until Proven Innocent" on page 4. Are you trying to start a war inside the U.S.?

First of all this is a fabrication. I am an example of a person harassed, put in harm's way by

young adult Arab males. They are very dangerous and they have no conscience.

You certainly are not helping the situation.

Sincerely,
Jane Jackson
Westland

Comments upset reader

To the editor:

We have Arabs on our street. Our property has been vandalized and destroyed all year.

Our neighbors have similar problems. Windows busted over and over again.

And you published "Guilty Until Proven Innocent"?

We are seriously thinking about canceling our subscription to your paper!

Sincerely,
Dora McDonald

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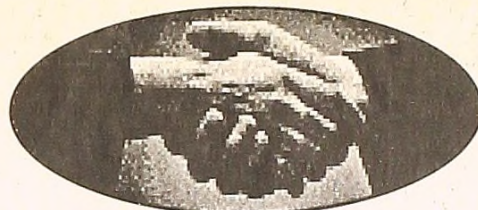
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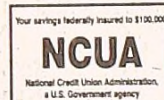
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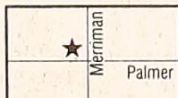
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MHSAA lifts playoff ban on Inkster

By TOM MOORADIAN
MCN Staff Writer

Coach Mann: We're elated about decision

The Michigan High School Athletic Association announced that it will lift the ban on post-season tournament competition imposed on the athletic program at Inkster High School.

The move by the state's august high school legislative body opens the door for the high school varsity teams to compete in the playoffs, if no further violations are reported.

School officials greeted the news with a sigh of relief and jubilation.

"We're elated," said Dave Mann, who serves as the athletic director and the girls' basketball coach.

"We relish the opportunity to compete in the state tournament, and we are thankful for this opportunity."

The high school athletic program came under state scrutiny by the MHSAA during the 1998-99 school year. The high school's athletic programs were cited for a wide range of violations, including the use of an ineligible football player.

Nov. 8, 2000, the MHSAA informed Inkster High School that its tournament privileges were revoked for violating rules and regulations established by the organization. The high school was banned from competing in post-

season play for the next two years.

Furthermore, at its Aug. 29, 2001 meeting, after a review of the school's remedial actions, the Executive Committee determined that the school will remain on probation through the 2001-02 school year and that, during this year, the school shall have the privilege of limited reinstatement in MHSAA tournament.

But, at the Sept. 12, 2001 meeting, the Executive Committee reviewed the school's letter of Sept. 10, 2001, and acknowledged that the tragic events in New York and Washington, D. C., on Sept. 11, had caused the cancellation of a board of education meeting that evening

when an additional response to the MHSAA was to have been finalized, and the Executive Committee tabled this matter until its Oct. 10, 2001 meeting.

At that meeting, "the Executive Committee determined that (1) the Inkster High School Girls' basketball team may enter the MHSAA's 2001 Tournament, and (2) the school will remain on probation with all other previously stated conditions.

Those conditions include that the privilege will be revoked for all sports if there is a further violation in any sport; the school will not be permitted to host or receive MHSAA tournament reimburse-

ments in any sport; and the privilege of MHSAA tournament participation in girls' basketball is dependent on additional Executive Committee discussions and actions that are to follow the school district's submission to the MHSAA office by Sept. 10 - a statement of findings that no privileges have been afforded to members of the girls' basketball team since Nov. 9, 2000 that have not been equally available to all other students, and (2) documentation that the employment of school district personnel is contingent on their adhering to that policy personally and reporting knowledge of violations of that policy by school per-

sonnel, boosters and parents."

Last year, the girls' varsity basketball team was undefeated and captured the school's first-ever Mega Conference, Gold Division title, but the team was not allowed to compete in the district's.

This year, the girls team, coached by Mann, remains undefeated and boasts a phenomenal 32-0 winning streak.

A MHSAA official said on Monday that a committee ruled to lift the ban after reviewing the progress the school has made in correcting the violations. Also noted was the high school has cooperated with them during the investigation.

Inkster High's girls' basketball team will be assigned to Class C, according to Mann.

Robichaud wraps up season at Rouge

By TOM MOORADIAN
MCN Staff Writer

Coach Mark Medlock and the Robichaud Bulldogs' long and frustrating football season comes to an end Friday at River Rouge.

"We match up with these guys," says Medlock, referring to Rouge, after the Bulldogs dropped their fifth game, 38-14, to Melvindale Friday night. "Rouge may have a better record (4-4) than we do, but this is the last game of the season for both teams, and when you come down to the final game, you want to go out a winner."

Rouge tuned up for its season's finale by losing to Blue Division opponent, Redford Union, 7-6, in a crossover game.

Robichaud came back after being down 10-0 early against Melvindale to make a game of it. Robichaud senior quarterback Joe Claybron and split end Mark Fletcher teamed up on a 60-yard pass-run touchdown play for their first score, then Marcus Johnson caught a 15-yard pass from Claybron for the second score.

The two scores put the Bulldogs back in the game, 17-14, but the defense's inability to stop the Cardinals' senior running back Nate Wellman caused them irreparable harm.

Wellman scored shortly before the initial half ended to lift the Cardinals to a 24-14 half-time lead. Wellman came back in the second half and ran wild against the Dearborn Heights ball club which couldn't stop him.

"He's a solid ball player who has a wide range of talent," said Medlock. "I believe he ran the ball against us around 40 times and chalked up more than 300 yards. Anytime you rush for 300 yards, you're good."

Claybron's first TD toss to

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Although there weren't too many bright spots Friday night in John Glenn's loss to visiting Farmington Hills Harrison, in the conference championship game, Glenn's sophomore fullback De'Anthony Granberry (3) managed to rush for 60 yards on 16 carries in the frustrating 48-7. Photo by Carl Brown.

Twisters rip Steelmen, 42-20

By TOM MOORADIAN
MCN Staff Writer

Ending an apparent post-season playoff jinx, the Twisters somehow managed to end its playoff malaise by winning the opener of the Lakeshore Conference tournament.

The Twisters soundly defeated Lorain County's Steelmen, 42-20, in the first round of the Lakeshore Football League playoffs.

The impressive victory lifted the Twisters into the conference championship game. They'll play the Central Ohio Lions, the South (Ohio) Division representatives of the LSFL on Saturday at Ohio Central State University.

In the playoff victory, the Twisters rolled up a grand total of 407 yards to the Steelmen's 154.

Twisters' quarterback Rob Elswick completed nine of 21 passes for 178 yards and two touchdowns. Elswick also led all rushers with a spectacular display of broken

field running which added another 80 yards to his stats.

The Twisters also received a stellar individual performance from tailback Corey Davis, who rushed for 86 yards on eight attempts. Teammate Ben Ferguson chipped in with 49 tough yards and two touchdowns on 10 carries, while Ryan Thompson piled up 38 yards on three tries.

The Twisters also received a touchdown from Jaquan Wright.

On the receiving end of Elswick's passes were Donti Hamilton, who nailed three aeriars for 69 yards and a touchdown; Anthony Leighton grabbed three passes for 56 yards and a touchdown. Hamilton also was busy on the special unit where he returned 2 punts for 85 yards.

The Twisters premier kicker, Chuck Petitpas, was again perfect. He converted all six of his attempts. He also helped keep the game in the Steelmen's end zone by pinning the opponents deep in

their own territory with punts of 44 and 49 yards.

Defensively, the Twisters' down linemen had another big night as they stopped everything the Steelmen had to throw at them. The defense held the Steelmen running backs to a total of 14 yards on 22 carries, while the quarterback completed only five of 25 for 140 yards, which included an 86-yard touchdown toss to their all-star wingback Matt Alridge.

Twisters' defensive end Lonnye Bryant led the way with two solo sacks, for huge losses, and three assists. Tackle Henry Jones carded five assists, while James Chapman had two solos and four assists. Tackle Zak Kennedy garnered three solos to add to Earl Sutton's two solos. Linebacker Bob Pensari and Aaron Brothers, along with back DeVaughn Smith, Eric Thompson and Dorian Bow managed to clean up when the op-

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Forget records! Stage is set for classic duels

By TOM MOORADIAN
MCN Staff Writer

By every measure of the game - every stat, every dimension, by their won-lost records - Plymouth-Salem doesn't belong on the same field as Plymouth-Canton.

And, statistically, ditto for Wayne which will play host to John Glenn Friday night.

But, Friday night these traditional, natural opponents will decide their school districts' championship. If they walk off the field with the W, the victory will be their ticket to the playoffs.

How important is the Wayne game to Glenn coach Chuck Gordon and his Rockets. He put it this way:

"It's probably the most important game on our schedule," Gordon said. "The kids know each other; coaches are well acquainted with one another, and we're coming off of a tough loss to Harrison."

"We're going to see what effects last week's loss to Harrison really had on this team. And, in the meantime, Wayne is coming off of its best performance of the season."

Carter also predicts that the Wayne-Glenn game will "be another one of those classics."

"They (Glenn) have a tremendous offense and Peiffer (Andrew Peiffer, 6-2, senior linebacker (wingback) is one of the premier ball players in the state this year."

"Glenn just has a complete offensive package and a defense that won't quit," Carter added. "Brush aside the added incentive we have, this is going to be a dogfight to the end. I don't see it any other way."

Before a standing room only crowd, Harrison unleashed its awesome attack against Glenn which found themselves in a 14-0 hole. The visitors widened the margin to 34-7 at the half before coasting to a 48-7 victory over the

Westlanders in the championship game of the Western-Lakes Conference.

No team has dominated all of its eight opponents as Harrison has this season.

Says Wayne's Carter: "I was glad that I didn't have to play them. They look like a Division 3 College Team."

Glenn avoided the shutout in the third quarter when quarterback Brian Ceckiewicz and Peiffer hooked up on a 27-yard touchdown pass, which was set up by sophomore De'Anthony Granberry's 25-yard run.

Glenn's score came with 6:24 on the clock.

But it was Harrison's senior quarterback Drew Stanton who was the main attraction. He was on target with 12 of his 18 tosses which tore the Rocket defenses apart. Before he was finished for the night, Stanton had amassed 251 yards and tossed for three touchdowns.

And, Friday night, also had to be one of the most frustrating evenings of the current campaign for first-year coach Bob Cummings and the Salem Rocks who lost their bid for their second victory when Andy Seifert booted a 30-yard field goal to give the Patriots a 3-0 margin of victory over their Western Lakes Conference opponents.

It was not the kind of game that Cummings or the Rocks needed before their upcoming duel with Canton.

In the meantime, Canton had a fight on its hand with Walled Lake Central and survived to post a 28-20 victory.

Senior running back Dane Kobus and running back Reggie Joyner's outstanding performances, keyed the Canton's victory.

Joyner accounted for two touchdowns while Kobus rushed for more than 100 yards.

Burrus leads Belleville past Fordson, to playoffs

Tigers take on Ypsi in finale

By TOM MOORADIAN
MCN Staff Writer

Spotting host Fordson a touchdown in the first half, Belleville rallied behind the exceptional play of senior quarterback Jeriel Burrus, who scored

on a 75-yard option play and set up an insurance TD with another superb 25-yard run. The Tigers pulled out a 14-6 Mega Conference Red Division victory Friday night.

The victory, the Tigers' sixth in eight starts this season, clinched a post-season playoff berth for coach Bob LaPointe's ball club. It also tightened their grip on second-place in the division. Belleville is 5-1 and is looking up at undefeated Dearborn (6-0) in

Over the years a rivalry has built up between our teams because of the proximity of the two schools. It's one of those games that records really don't mean very much.

Bob LaPointe

the standings.

LaPointe and the Tigers will wrap up the season Friday night at the home turf. They'll entertain a "so-so" Ypsilanti team that

is coming off of a heartbreaking 7-6 loss to Woodhaven. The Braves are 3-5 overall, but an even .500 (3-3) in the division.

"Ypsi has always given us

problems," said LaPointe. "Over the years a rivalry has built up between our teams because of the proximity of the two schools. It's one of those games that records really don't mean very much."

Fordson struck first against the visiting Tigers. The Tractors managed to get on the scoreboard midway in the second quarter when junior tailback Halidh Alfakih hustled around end and over the Belleville goal

line from one-yard out. The TD capped a midfield drive. Fordson failed to capitalize on the point-after.

After making some adjustments, the Tigers came back and dominated the game in the third period. Burrus jolted the Tractors on an option that sprung him loose for a 75-yard touchdown run.

Tied at 6-all, it was up to kick-

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Romulus comes alive, wins 2 big games

Wayne, Ypsi fall to Eagles

Sparked by Patrice Beasley's game high 20 points, Romulus turned back Ypsilanti, 49-45, in a Mega Conference, Blue Division basketball game.

Close right down to the final whistle, Coach Rhonda McAllister's Eagles managed to hang on to a slim lead until midway in the final period when the lady Braves tied the score. Romulus held a slim 22-21 advantage at half-time and increased its lead by a trey, 37-34, for three before the Braves came back to tie.

Alicia Harbor's layup with 2:40 left in the game gave the Ea-

gles the lead for good.

Beasley's 20 points was the top scoring output for the game. Harbor tossed in 12 points she also was effective under the boards where the 5-9 sophomore grabbed 12 rebounds.

Ypsi received 10 points from Melenda Schisolm.

Neither team looked impressive at the free throw line where the Eagles capitalized on 14 of 30 charities as compared to 4 of 13 for the Braves.

Romulus outscored Wayne 13-7 in the third period en route to a 44-38 victory over coach Wayne Woodard's Zebras. Up by three (13-10) after the first period, the Eagles stayed in front 20-16 for the half and then broke loose to a 33-23 advantage for three periods.

Vikings' streak reaches 32

Taylor Truman took advantage of the home court Thursday to give undefeated Inkster a scare. Inkster, up by 17 points at one time, had to fight off Truman in the closing minutes to preserve a 46-40 victory and a 32-game winning streak.

"It got too close for comfort," said Dave Mann, Inkster coach. "We had what I thought was a comfortable lead when suddenly they made a run. We survived."

In an incredible low-scoring game - the Vikings were ahead, 6-1, after the first period and held a 24-10 lead at half-time. After

outscored their hosts 17-14 in the third period, Inkster was looking at a 41-24 advantage when Truman, capitalizing on the Vikings' personal fouls, managed to outscore their visitors 16-5 in the final period.

Truman made 19 of their total 40 points at the free throw line. They missed 14 free throws. Inkster went to the line and canned six of 14.

Keisha Young and Carena Easley led the Vikings on offense. Young fired in 14, while Easley had 11 points.

Earlier in the week, Inkster blasted Wyandotte 74-40 as Laelah Qawee scored nine of her game-high 17 and Easley seven of her 13 points in leading the Vikings to a lopsided 21-8 first period before coasting to No. 31 victory.

Robichaud's Riley back in line-up

What a difference a player will make.

Injured throughout most of the 2001 season, Mary Riley returned to Robichaud lineup last week and helped lead coach Warren Woods' Bulldogs to a 37-34 victory over previously defeated Mega-Gold Division leader River Rouge.

"She's definitely not 100 percent, but she is a born leader out there and the results reflect the effort," said Woods.

Rouge didn't go down without a fight, however.

Robichaud jumped out in

front, 11-7, after one period, but the Panthers came back and grabbed the lead, 23-17. Rouge protected its lead most of the second half until Riley and Lauren Trammell sparked a seven-point run that overcame their deficit.

Trammell, who surfaced as the high scorer for the game, finished with 14 points. All of her points coming in the fourth period. Riley, a 5-7 guard, finished with eight points and 10 rebounds.

Woods still hasn't been able to field his team without using backups. His regulars, Dinita Fizer and Ladonna Nealy, remain on the injury list.

On Wednesday, the makeshift Robichaud lineup scored only 27 points and fell to the Cardinals of Melvindale, 37-27.



Glenn quarterback Brian Ceckiewicz (4) manages to release the ball before a Farmington Hills Harrison defender comes crashing down on him. Harrison, the No. 1 ranked team in the state, also crushed Glenn's dreams of a Western Lakes Conference title. Glenn will travel to Wayne Memorial for its annual fall classic Friday night against its natural rivals..

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position managed to penetrate beyond the scrimmage line.

"Our total squad played a near perfect game against a highly-rated team," said J. Glenn Brothers, the Twisters' General Manager. "Coach Brown and I are very pleased with the overall performance."

However, Brothers cautioned that, in order for his team to win the Lakeshore Conference championship, "we must have a repeat against the Lions. No question about it - we can't afford a letdown now."

The Twisters wrapped up the regular season with an 8-1 record, while the Lions posted a perfect 10-0 mark.

In their last meeting, the Lions hosted the Twisters and handed them their only loss of the season, 22-15.

If the Twisters should emerge as the conference champ, they then would be eligible to compete for a national title.

For those die-hard Twisters' fans, the championship game is scheduled for 2 p.m. on Oct. 20 at Ohio Central State University stadium. The stadium is located in Wilberforce, Ohio, south of Dayton.

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Fletcher came midway in the first period after the Bulldogs had given up two TDs. The senior quarterback also scored the two-point conversion. Then, early in the second quarter, after a midfield drive, Claybron teamed up with his

favorite receiver, Johnson, and connected on a 15-yarder in the end zone. The TD capped a 10-play drive.

Clayborn finished the evening with 120-yards on 15 carries and two passing touchdowns. He also turned in a strong performance at safety. Defensive end Ken Walker and inside linebacker Raymond Gray stood out.

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er David Chudzinski to cut the knot. His point-after sailed through the upright.

Although Burrus's TD, followed by the PAT, gave the visitors the lead, the game remained in doubt until late in the fourth quarter when Burrus again managed to come up with a first-down on a 25-yard sprint that gave

Belleville the insurance it needed.

Burrus guided the Tigers to the two-yard line where sophomore Davon Gerald took over.

The 6-2, 220-pound fullback crashed through the Tractor defense and scored to give Belleville a 13-6 advantage. Chudzinski made it 14-6.

"We had our problems moving against them in the first half."

OBITUARIES

MAPLES, ALEASE M., 92, of Detroit (born in Winona, WV to Harrison and Sue Bowles), passed away August 30. She was a cook at the Winona West Virginia Clubhouse, the 4-H Club, and the Paradise Inn. She marched in triumphantly into glory leaving to cherish her memory her daughter Ramona, eight grandchildren, twenty-three great-grandchildren, twenty great-grandchildren, family and friends. Arrangements were made by Penn Funeral Home with services held at Gethsamane Baptist Church, with Rev. Willie W. Davis officiating.

MARTIN, LAWRENCE J., 61 (of Ahmeek, MI), passed away September 28. Loving father of Lawrence (Kim) Martin, Gerard (Melanie) Martin, Gary (Karen) Martin, and Dominick Martin. Loving grandfather of Alex Martin, Julia Martin, Jackson Martin, and Eric Martin. Dearest brother of Ernie Martin, Aurora Martin, and the late Bruno Martin. Funeral services were held at Uht Funeral, Westland with Father Alexander Wytrawl officiating. Interment followed at Michigan Memorial Park, Flat Rock.

MCDONALD, WILLIAM EDWARD, 77, of Wayne, passed away September 22 in Ann Arbor. Loving husband of Clara McDonald. Beloved father of Maureen (Michael) Michlaski, Kathleen Coulter, Ellen McDonald, and Genevieve (Neal) Quick. Also survived by nine grandchildren and one great-grandchild. Funeral services were held at John N. Santeiu & Son Funeral Home, Garden City. Entombment tool place at Michigan Memorial Park, Flat Rock. Memorial contributions can be made in his name to the VFW National Home.

MIDA JR., ALBERT W., 73, of Wayne, passed away September 28. Beloved husband of Becky H. (Henry) Mida. Dear father of Dale (Ruth) Mida of Middlebury, IN; Walter (Sally) Mida of Wayne; and James (Roberta) Mida of Ann Arbor. Dear father-in-law of Susan Mida of Belleville. Dear son of the late Albert C.L. and Lena (Eckert) Mida. Sr. Loved brother of Fred (Marge) Mida of Leroy, MI; Herbert (Betty) Mida of Chelsea; Roland (Daisy) Mida of San Angelo, TX; Lois Zilka of Canton; and Rose Ann Bazzell of Westland. Also survived by fifteen grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. Preceded in death by his first wife, Pansy "Pat" Lee Mida and his sister, Caroline Sherwood. He was employed as a truck-

driver for Complete Auto Transit, Michigan Ladder, and retired from Marsh Planting. He was a member of the Belleville Oddfellows and Rebekahs, and also the Huron Valley Nighthawk. He also served his country in the U.S. Navy as a fire fighter. Funeral services were held at David C. Brown Funeral Home with Mr. Edward Beckstein officiating. Cremation rites have been accorded with interment of cremains at Soop Cemetery, Belleville. Memorial contributions can be made in his honor to the American Diabetes Association or the Oddfellow and Rebekah Youth Camp.

MURPHY JR., WALTER J., 84, of Belleville, passed away October 3. Dear father of Jimmy Murphy of Belleville and Peggy (Bill) Bower of Romulus. Dear son of the late Walter J. and Anna Mae (Brandon) Murphy Sr. Dearest brother of Minnie Bartlett and Mary Harden, both of TN. Dear grandfather of James, Terri, Michael, and Timmy Murphy; and Scott, Brian, Kevin, and Jason Rupnow. Preceded in death by his wife Marie Murphy, daughter-in-law Joann Murphy, and son-in-law George Rupnow. He was retired from Ford Motor Company Rouge Complex. He was also a member of the Belleville Masonic Temple and served his country during WWII in the Navy. Funeral services were held at David C. Brown Funeral Home with Pastor John F. Losen officiating. Interment followed at Hillside Cemetery, Belleville. Memorial contributions can be made in his honor to the Arbor Hospice.

NELSON, ELAINE M., 75, of New Port Richey, MI (born in Chicago, IL to Arthur and Esther Berndt), passed away August 29. She leaves behind her daughter Jody, family, and friends. Arrangements made by Penn Funeral Home. Cremation rites have been accorded.

PARKER, KAITLYN RENEE, Beloved infant daughter of Aaron E. and Christina M. (Parks) Parker of Romulus, passed away October 5. Dearest granddaughter of Teresa Parks of Romulus, Lanny (Bonnie) Parker of Flat Rock, and Ancil Parks of Livonia. Dear great-granddaughter of Doris Michalik of Plymouth, Charles (Frances) Scanlon of Highland, Oscar (Nora) Parker of TN, and Rose Block of Romulus. Dear niece of Angela Tittsworth of Belleville, Cheryl Martin of Belleville, Nicole Parks of Romulus, Steven Parks of Romulus, Ancil Jaye Parks Jr. of Dearborn Hts., Jay Parker of

Monroe and Bradley Parker of Flat Rock. Preceded in death by her great-grandfathers John Block and Ancil Parks, and her Uncle Richard Eric Parks. Funeral services were held at David C. Brown Funeral Home with Dr. Kenneth W. Miller officiating. Interment followed at Hillside Cemetery, Belleville.

RANEY, GARY M., 50, of Belleville, passed away October 2. Dear father of Lisa L. James of Belleville and Scott M. Raney of Vista, CA. Dear son of the late Cecil and Mildred (Saffell) Raney. Dear brother of LaVonda Raney of Belleville, Tom (Brenda) Raney of Wellston, Greg (gail) Raney of Willis, Stan Raney of Belleville, and Cecil Raney of Belleville. Loving special friend of Robin Russ of Belleville. Loving grandfather of James and Steven Raney. Preceded in death by his parents. He was employed at Wellington of Romulus. Memorial services were held at David C. Brown Funeral Home with Dr. Kenneth W. Miller officiating. Interment of cremains at Union-Udell Cemetery, Ypsilanti.

ROSENRETER, EVELYN P., of Chelsea, 84, passed away October 12 at Cedar Knoll Care Center in Grass Lake. She was born on November 12, 1916 in Chatham, Ontario, Canada the daughter of Harry and Violet (Fritzthomas) Toon. She has lived in Chelsea since 1967, she resided in Belleville the last three years with her daughter, Nancy. She became a naturalized citizen of the USA in 1969. She was member of St. Andrews United Church of Christ in Dexter, Women of the Moose Lodge #890 in Ann Arbor, VFW Aux. #4076 in Chelsea, and American Legion Aux. Unit 557 in Dexter. She served as Chelsea Village Clerk for 6 years. She was a former employee of Hoover Ball and Bearing, and was a real estate agent. She graduated from Dexter High School in 1933. She married Albert F. Rosentreter in Dexter, and he preceded her in death in 1976. Survivors include her son Albert W. (Nancy S.) Rosentreter of Chelsea; daughter Nancy J. Rosentreter of Belleville; daughter-in-law Dolores Rosentreter; her brother John Toon of Chelsea; her sisters Virginia Sinclair of Ann Arbor, Gloria Parsons of FL, and Betty Watson of FL; eight grandchildren; seventeen great-grandchildren; three great-great grandchildren; special friends Marion Wilt and Kenneth Norris; several nieces; several nephews; and several cousins. She is preceded in death by one son, Neil; one

brother, Harry; one sister, Gwendolyn Toon; and one grandson, Mark Rosentreter. Funeral services were held October 15 at Cole Funeral Chapel, Chelsea with burial following at Oak Grove Cemetery, Chelsea. memorial contributions can be made in her honor to the Diabetes Association or Arbor Hospice.

SARGENT, HARRIETT, 85, of Detroit (born in Harmony, NC to Scot and Elizabeth McClendon), passed away September 6. She leaves to mourn her sister Sue Shivers, sons Harold and DeWayne, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, family and friends. Funeral services were held at Penn Funeral Home with minister Carol Johnston officiating. Interment followed at Knollwood Memorial Park.

TOMILSON, BRENDA, 51, of Westland (born to Richard and Evelyn Byars in Philadelphia, PA), passed away August 31. She leaves behind her son Christopher Tomilson, family and friends. Arrangements were made by Penn Funeral Home with services held at Terry's Funeral Home with interment at West Laurel Hill Cemetery in Bala Cynwood, PA.

WALKER, JOSEPH, 56, of Inkster, (son of Jimmie and Sudie Walker) passed away August 26. He served in the Vietnam War and upon returning enrolled at Westpoint specializing in telecommunications. he leaves behind to cherish his memory wife Wanda; children Carmen, Derica, Joseph, Orlando, and Torrance, his mother, Sudie; fourteen grandchildren; family and friends. Arrangements were made by Penn Funeral Home with services held at Greater Grace Temple with Rev. Gary Harper officiating.

WILLIS, MRS. ATLES, of Chesterfield Twp. (born in Birmingham, AL to Nathan and Alberta Hawkins), passed away August 23. She leaves behind to mourn her loss children Alfred, Emmett, Gwendolyn, Emmie, and Pamela; eight grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; family and friends. Funeral services were held at Penn Funeral Home with Rev. Willie W. Davis officiating. Interment followed at Knollwood Memorial Park.

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